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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation in CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Friday, January 21, 2004, Steven Watkins, Sylvia Lesse and I had a meeting with Daniel Gonzalez, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Martin, on behalf of the rural Independent Telephone Company clients of our firm including the Alliance of Incumbent Rural Independent Telephone Companies (the "Alliance"), the Alliance for Rational Inter-carrier Compensation ("ARIC"), the Georgia Telephone Association, the Kentucky Independent Telephone Group, the Mississippi Rural Independent Telephone Company Group, and the Tennessee Rural Independent Coalition (all of which are collectively referred to herein as the "Independents").

The purpose of our meeting was to discuss certain issues raised in CC Docket No. 01-92 by petitions filed by T-Mobile and Sprint. The positions we advocated, together with the underlying factual and legal analysis, have been fully set forth on the record in the following documents filed by the Alliance in the above-referenced proceeding: Reply Comments filed on November 5, 2001, Comments filed on August 8 and October 18, 2002, and an *ex parte* Notice filed on May 2, 2003. I am also providing Mr. Gonzalez, via courier, courtesy copies of each pleading referenced in the preceding sentence.

Please direct any questions regarding this Notice to Steven Watkins, Sylvia Lesse or me at (202) 296-8890.

Sincerely,

/s/

Holly Rachel Smith

cc: Daniel Gonzalez